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ABSTRACT

A device for dispensing and applying adhesive tape, for

example drywall tape, from rolls as provided. The device comprises a frame consisting of a pair of spaced parallel arms connected to an elongated handle parallel thereto. A roller intermediate their free ends and the handle, between the arms supports a roll of the tape. An applicator roller is positioned transversely between the arms near their free ends to draw tape from the tape roll and to roll and press the tape, during use, into final position. The device further comprises a blade operatively positioned near the free ends of the arms and facing forwardly with respect to the arms, the blade being positioned transversely across them above the applicator roller. The blade is movable in a direction parallel to the arms between withdrawn position, wherein it does not obstruct the dispensing of tape from the device, and extended cutting position in which it extends forwardly from the ends of the arm beyond the applicator roller to permit cutting the tape transversely. A guide is secured to the arms near their free ends to receive tape from the roll and direct towards the ends of the arms below the applicator roller. This device provides a simple and effective mechanical means of applying adhesive drywall tape to drywall.

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